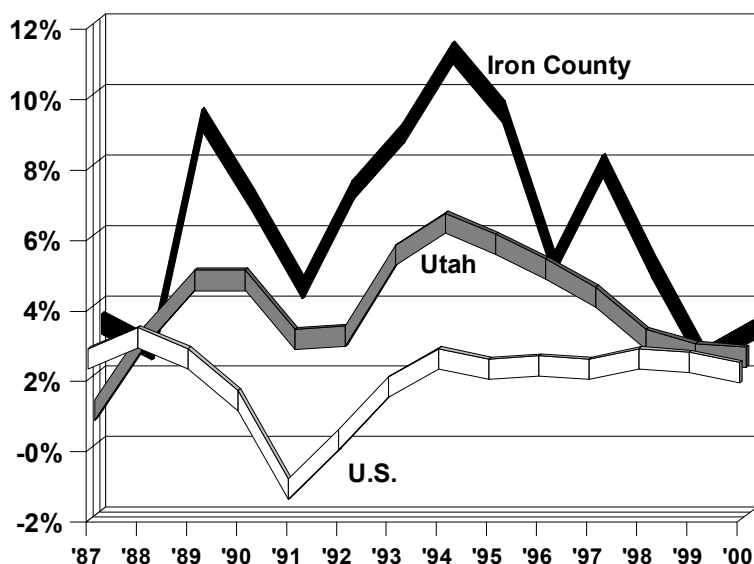


Employment Profile

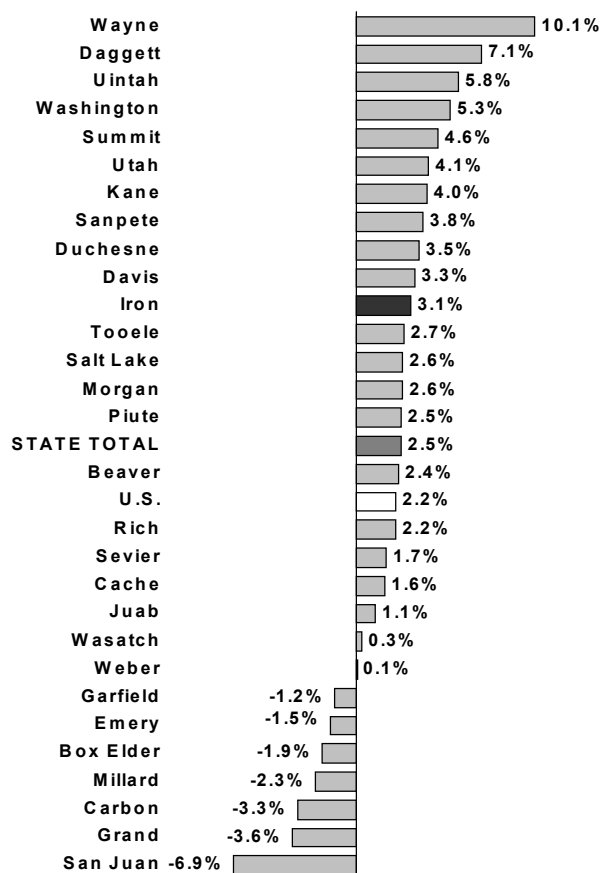
Annual Growth in Nonfarm Jobs



Iron County typically follows the general trend of Utah and U.S. job growth—just at a higher level. However, it departed from the larger-economy trend starting in 2000 when job growth rates rebounded slightly.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Annual 2000* Growth in Nonfarm Jobs

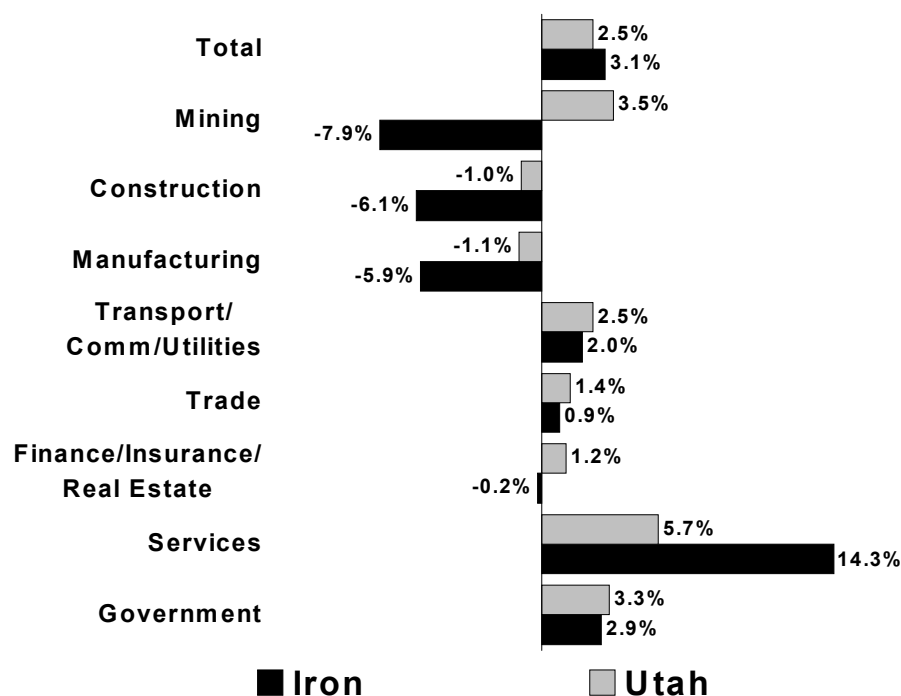


With 3.1 percent nonfarm job growth, Iron County wasn't the fastest-growing county in the state during 2000. But, compared to a slowdown in both the state and national economies, the county appears economically healthy.

*Preliminary data.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

1999-2000* Nonfarm Job Percent Change

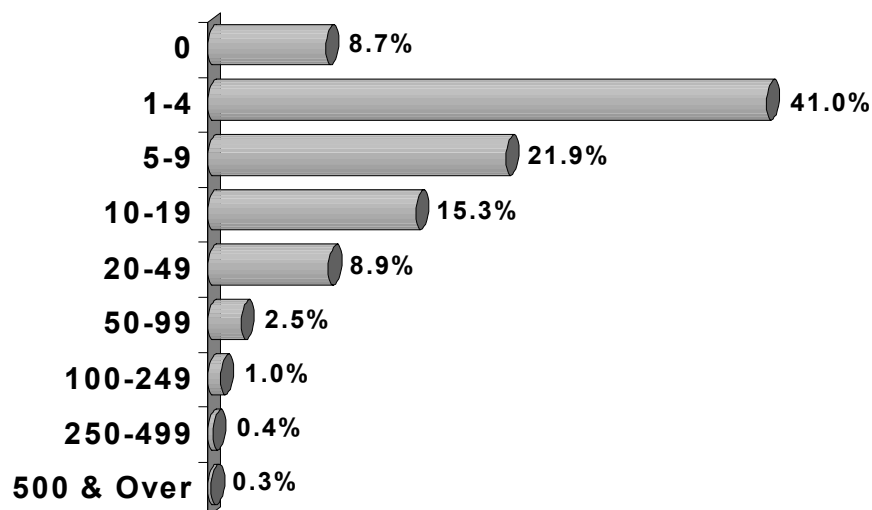


The Iron County goods-producing industries of mining, construction, and manufacturing all suffered job losses related to the national economic slowdown. However, enough positions were created in services to keep job expansion at a healthy level.

*Preliminary data.

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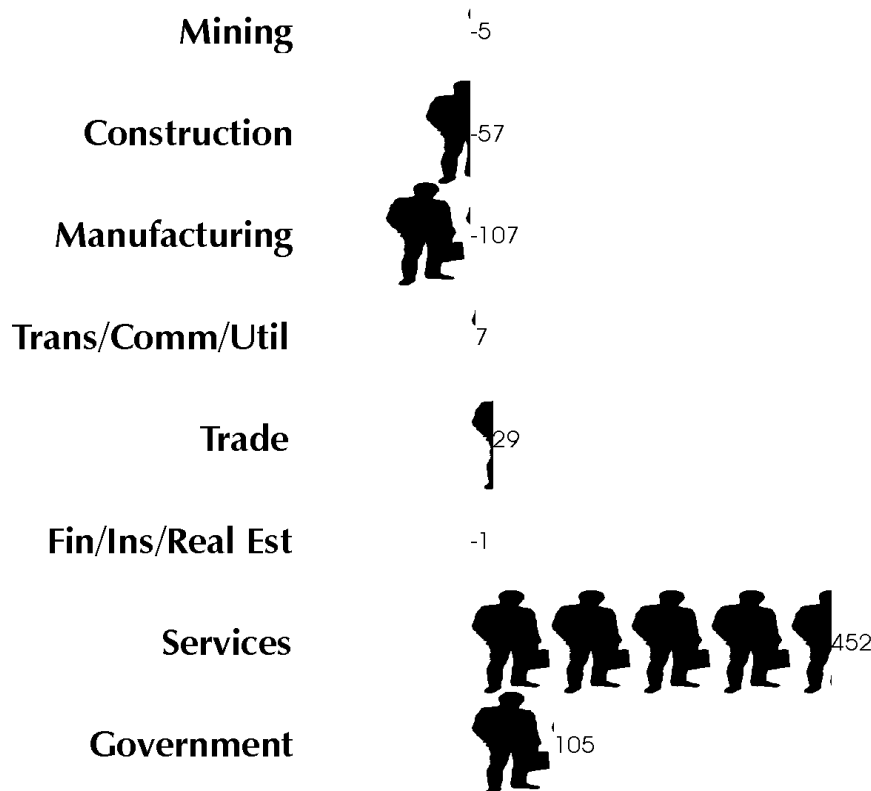
1st Quarter 2000 Iron Firms by Size



In Iron County, half the firms have fewer than five employees.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

1999-2000* Nonfarm Job Growth by Industry

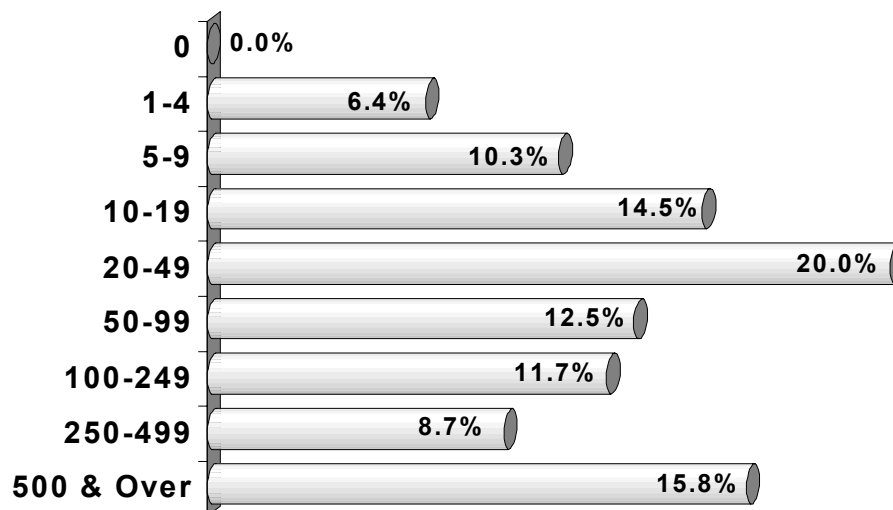


Iron County created almost 430 net new jobs in the year 2000. Services—more particularly business services—added most of these new positions. Government was the only other major industry to add a significant number of new jobs.

*Preliminary data.

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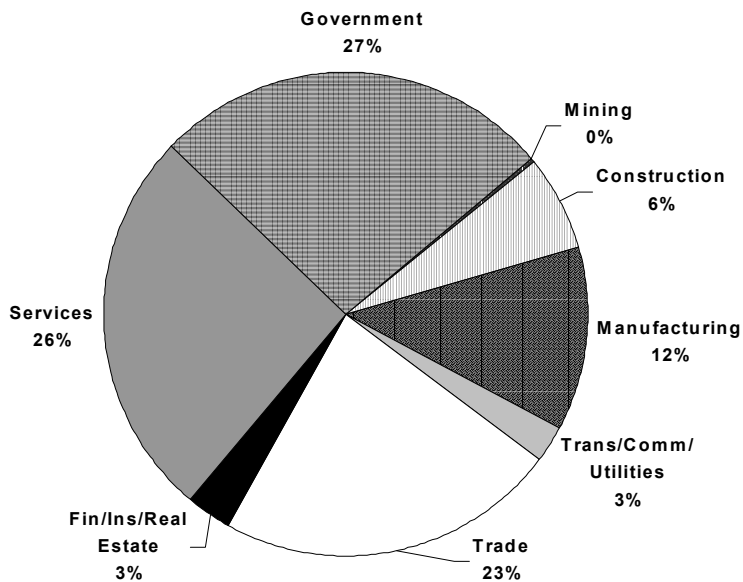
1st Qtr 2000 Iron Jobs by Firm Size



Mid-sized companies with 20-49 employees account for one-fifth of total employment in Iron County.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

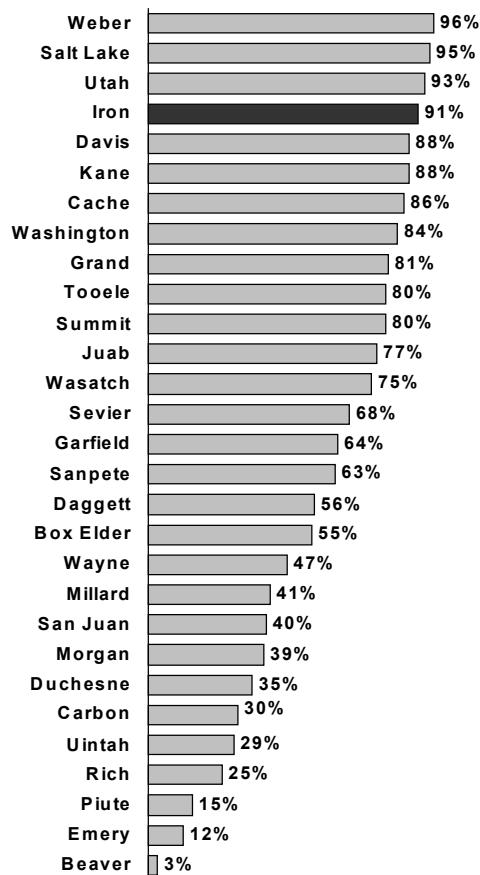
2000 Nonfarm Jobs Distribution by Industry



Trade, services, and government are almost equal players in the Iron County labor market.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services.

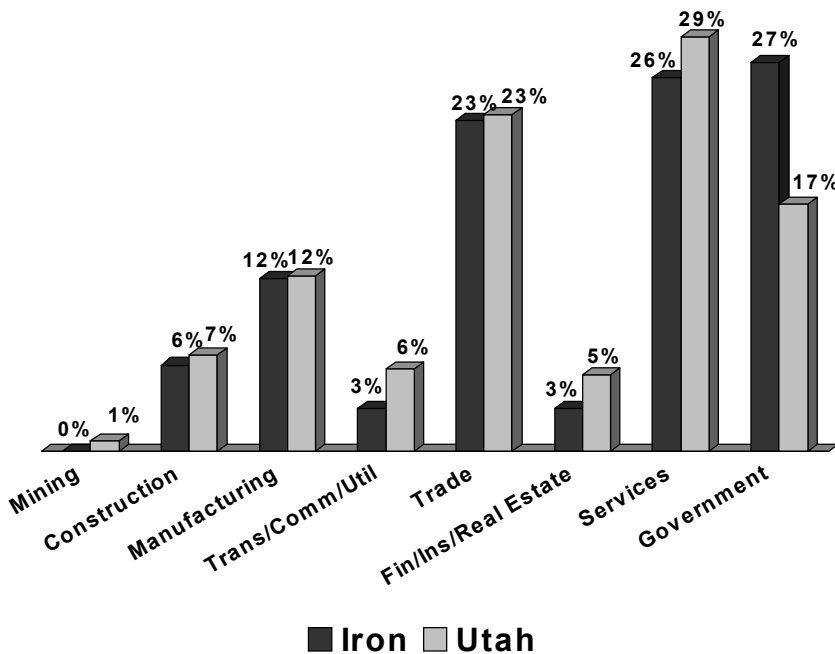
2000 Hachman Index by County



Iron County has a large manufacturing sector for a nonurban area which helps it have a high Hachman Index. This index compares industrial diversity in one area and another. In this case, the closer the index to 100, the closer the county is to the industrial profile of the United States.

Source: Utah Governor's Office of Planning and Budget.

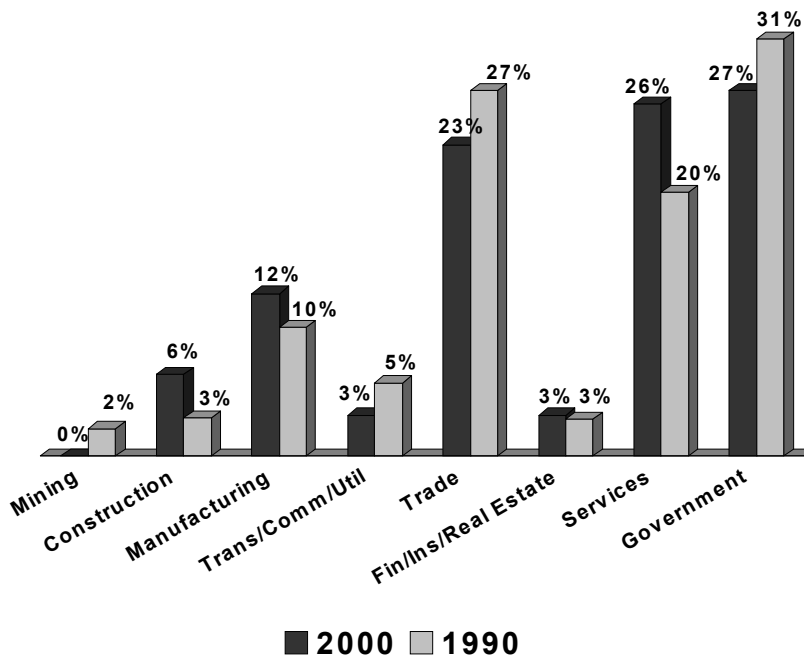
2000 Industrial Job Distribution



Because of the importance of Southern Utah University, Iron County shows a much higher percentage of government employment than Utah.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services.

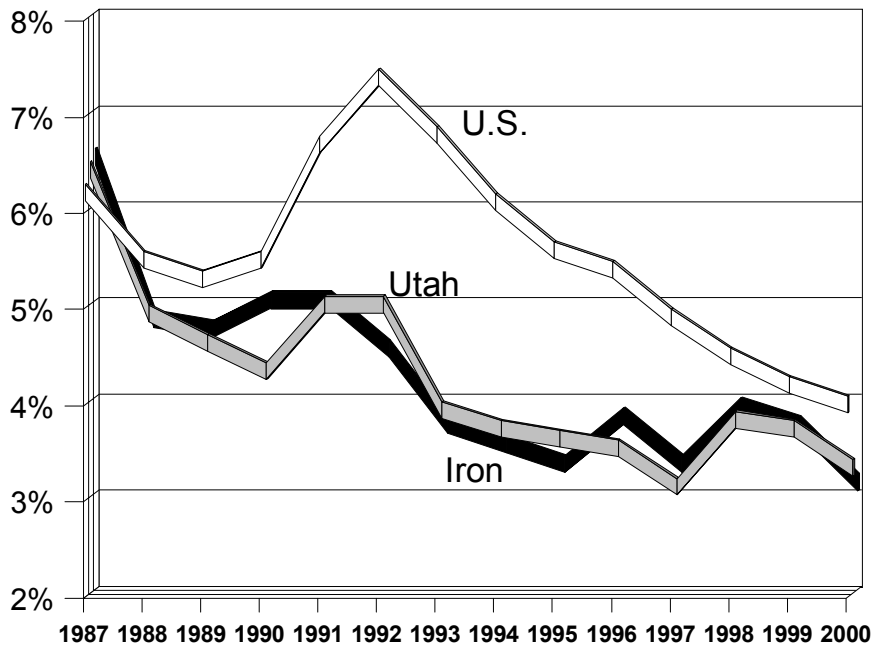
Iron County Industrial Job Distribution



Services, construction, and manufacturing have experienced increasing employment shares over the past ten years. Trade and government have lost employment shares.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services.

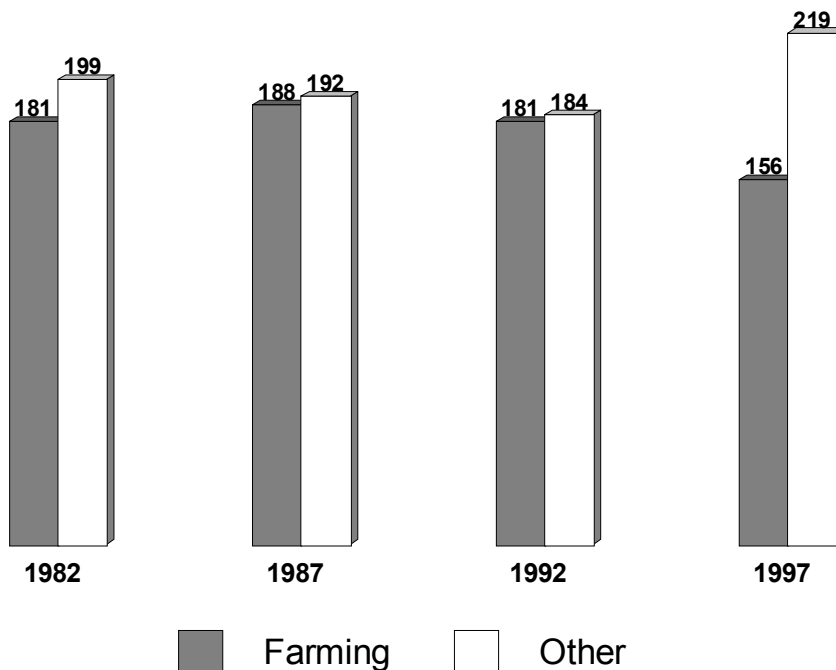
Annual Unemployment Rates



In 2000, Iron County's unemployment rate (3.1 percent) measured lower than the state average of 3.2 percent.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services.

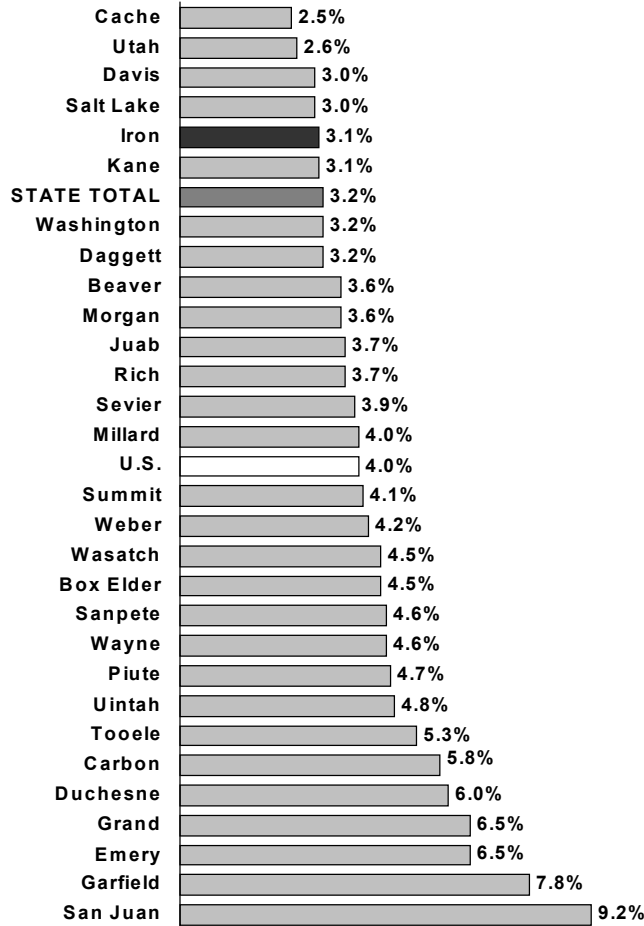
Iron County Farm Operators by Major Occupation



More and more farm operators in Iron County have a primary occupation other than agriculture.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

2000 Unemployment Rates by County



Despite job losses in goods-producing industries, unemployment remained very low in Iron County during 2000.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services.

Largest Iron County Employers

Company	Type of Industry
<i>Southern Utah University</i>	<i>Higher Education</i>
<i>Iron County School District</i>	<i>Public Education</i>
<i>Convergys</i>	<i>Call Center</i>
<i>Assail Inc</i>	<i>Call Center</i>
<i>State of Utah</i>	<i>State Government</i>
<i>Federal Government</i>	<i>Government</i>
<i>Smead Manufacturing</i>	<i>Paper Products Manufacturing</i>
<i>Valley View Medical Center</i>	<i>Hospital</i>
<i>SOS Temporary Services</i>	<i>Temporary Employment Agency</i>
<i>Marketing Ally</i>	<i>Call Center</i>
<i>Iron County</i>	<i>Local Government</i>
<i>WECCO</i>	<i>Chemical Manufacturing</i>
<i>Metalcraft Technologies</i>	<i>Aircraft Parts Manufacturing</i>
<i>Cedar City Corporation</i>	<i>Local Government</i>
<i>WalMart</i>	<i>Variety Store</i>
<i>Kolob Regional Care Center</i>	<i>Skilled Nursing Facility</i>
<i>Goer Manufacturing</i>	<i>Partitions Manufacturing</i>
<i>Lin's Thriftway</i>	<i>Grocery Store</i>
<i>Albertsons</i>	<i>Grocery Store</i>
<i>Ken Bettridge Distribution</i>	<i>Trucking</i>
<i>KMart</i>	<i>Variety Store</i>
<i>Smith's Food and Drug</i>	<i>Grocery Store</i>
<i>State Bank of Southern Utah</i>	<i>Bank</i>
<i>Genpak</i>	<i>Plastics Products Manufacturing</i>
<i>Cedar Breaks Lodge</i>	<i>Hotel</i>

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services.